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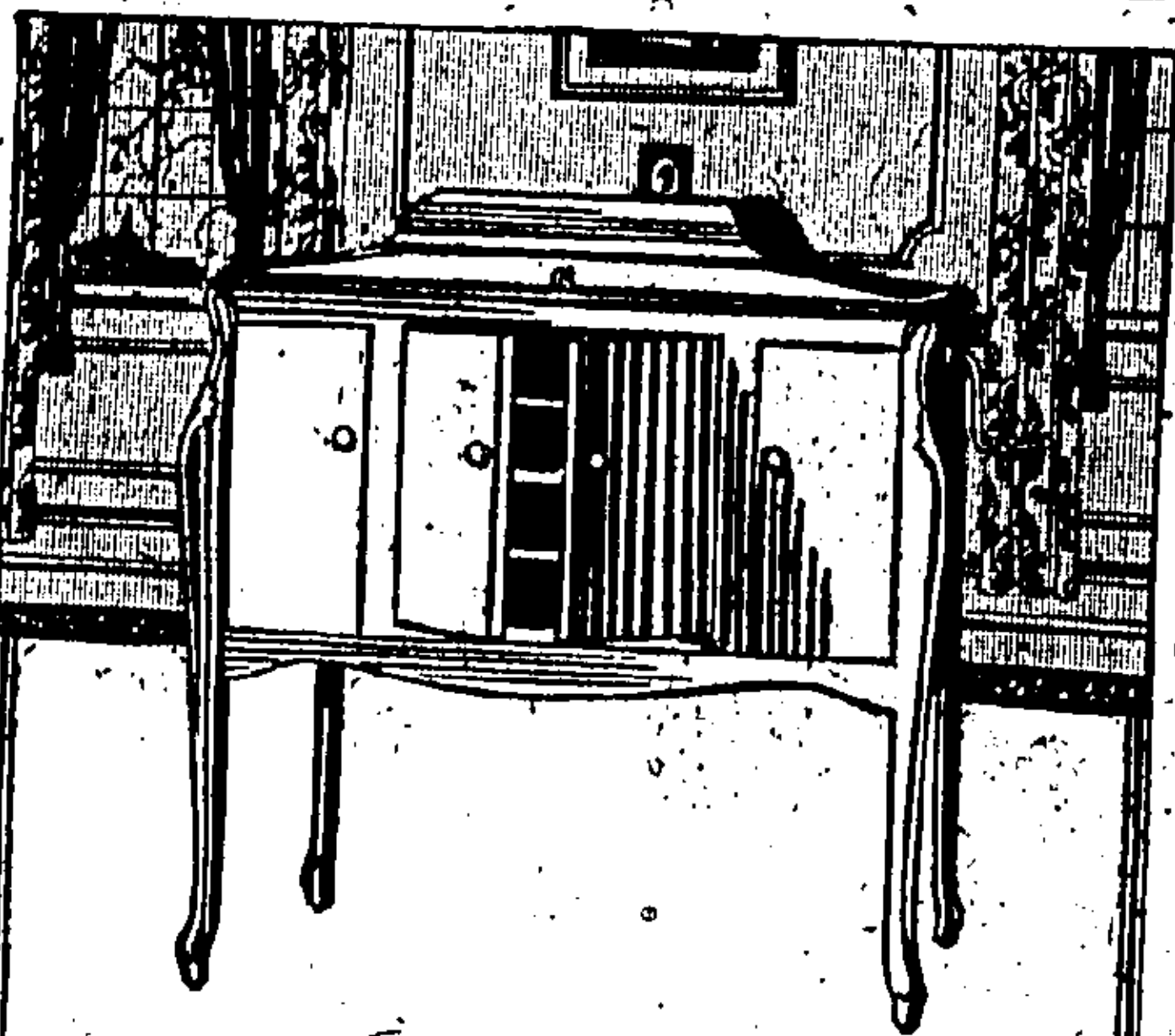
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RUHR OCCUPATION.

AMERICAN COAL FOR GERMANY.

NOFOLK (VIRGINIA), March 6.
Two steamers are going to Germany this week with cargoes of coal and it is understood a third has been chartered for the same purpose.

FRENCH KEEPING ARMY UP.

PARIS, March 6.
The Cabinet has decided to keep the 1921 class with the colours until May 31. Ordinarily the class would be released in April. It is understood that voluntary enlistments and re-enlistments for six months are favoured.

THE TRANSPORT QUESTION.

In the House of Commons, replying to Col. Wedgwood, Mr. Ronald McNeill said the railway on the right bank of the Rhine through the British occupied zone would be retained under British control. Proposals for a final settlement of the transport question in the British zone which was still the subject of negotiations did not provide for any French control of the railways in the British zone.

TROUBLE EXTENDS.

COLOGNE, March 6.
The Rhineland Commission has ordered 120 fresh expulsions including 24 railway, 38 postal and 25 customs officials.

SCHWABINGEN, March 6.

The German railway staff between Appenweier and Kehl having refused to aid despatch of trains carrying railway material the French ordered the cessation of all work. Troops immediately occupied the stations and lines.

BERLIN, March 6.

It is stated that Wippenfurth was occupied in the morning by French cavalry which then proceeded with other detachments in the direction of Gemmelbach.

CHANCELLOR DUNO'S PROTEST.

BERLIN, March 6.
The recent French action in the occupied territory was hotly denounced in the Reichstag by Herr Duno who declared that the latest advances in the Rhineland were backed on a trivial pretext. He asserted that Germany was layed up to an almost intolerable tension and warned the world lest a terrible danger arise. He contrasted the easy French assurances that the occupation of the Ruhr would not be of a military but political character with the reality of the situation pointing out that the French were employing five divisions of troops, seventy-five tanks and a hundred aeroplanes. He quoted figures showing that over a thousand German officials and six hundred police were expelled while seventy-three of the former were court-martialled and sentenced for keeping oaths of loyalty.

He alleged that rigorous hardships were inflicted on the condemned men and other brutal treatment which greatly excited and angered the Reichstag. Further figures were quoted showing that the French had only received 74,000 tons of coal and no timber since the occupation instead of 2,000,000 tons and 74,000 cubic feet respectively. He concluded with an emphatic declaration that Germany would carry on a passive resistance until she attained her goal—a reasonable, free and honest understanding.

BOXER INDEMNITY.

MONEY HELD IN SUSPENSE.

RENDITION OF WEIHAWEI.

LONDON, March 17.
In the House of Commons, replying to Sir Walter de Frece, Mr. Ronald McNeill stated that instalments of the Boxer indemnity were being paid into a suspense account pending further decisions in regard to the disposal of the funds. The question of what machinery should be established to deal with the allocation of funds was being considered.

He also stated the Government were considering reports from British delegates to the Anglo-Chinese Joint Commission which preliminarily investigated the conditions on which Weihaiwei should be returned to China. There had been no unnecessary delay in this regard.

OBITUARY.

GERMAN AMBASSADOR TO PARIS.

MUNICH, March 6.
The death has occurred of Herr Mayer, German Ambassador to Paris which he left at the outset of the Ruhr operations.

DANISH QUEEN'S OPERATION.

COPENHAGEN, March 6.

BRITAIN AND RUHR.

BONAR LAW TALKS.

LONDON, March 6.

During the Commons debate on a Labour motion relative to the Ruhr Mr. Bonar Law reaffirmed that the Government believed that intervention momentarily would be regarded as a hostile act by France because though she was suffering heavy loss in consequence of the occupation of the Ruhr she knew Germany was suffering more. He emphasised, however, that settlement of reparations was a question not for France and Belgium alone but for Europe wherein we were interested and must have a voice.

The anxiety the Ruhr expedition was causing was fully shared by the Government. He was certain French statesmen believed that despite what had happened the pressure would have effect on Germany and while they held that view he thought it useless to offer mediation. The inevitable result of the reasoning of many of the speakers in the debate would seem to be to prepare for the possibility of enforcing our will on France by war. He did not believe for a moment that any French statesman was seriously contemplating a European bloc that left us out. The motion was talked out.

INDIAN ARMY REDUCTIONS.

COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF'S VIEWS.

DELHI, March 6.

During the Legislative Assembly budget debate Sir H. Bhabha announced that the Imperial Government had accepted the "technical" reduction of the infantry but the proposals in regard to cavalry and artillery were still being considered. He could not accept the idea that the cost of the army could ever be reduced to fifty crores of rupees and could not admit that the army was too strong or too efficient for the needs of the country. Its equipment had not yet reached the completeness which the Assembly resolved on the Mahar report but the army was very efficient at present. He fully recognised the paramount importance of balancing the budget, hence he advised the Government to take the risk of the fundamental organisation of the army of India. Reduction was largely possible because the external and internal situation was much improved.

ELECTRICITY FROM THE AIR.

HUNGARIAN ENGINEER'S DISCOVERY.

BUDAPEST, March 6.

A young Hungarian engineer named Dazoff has invented an apparatus for extracting electric current from the air without expense. The chief feature of the device is a mast similar to those used in wireless telegraphy. The electric energy gained from the air varies according to the height of the mast. He claims to be able to reach forty thousand volts at a height of nine hundred feet. Several houses have been fitted with the apparatus and it is observed that the current is strongest at noon and weakest at midnight. The Government is placing a workshop at the disposal of the inventor.

STILL A MEMBER.

ARGENTINA AND L. O. N.

Buenos Aires, March 6.

In the Chamber the Foreign Minister declared that the withdrawal of the Argentine delegation from the League of Nations Assembly in 1920 did not mean that Argentina no longer belonged to the League. Argentina intended to pay up her arrears of contributions to the League.

SUN SHINES THROUGH GLOOM.

RUHR FOR MALACCA RUBBER ISSUE.

LONDON, March 6.

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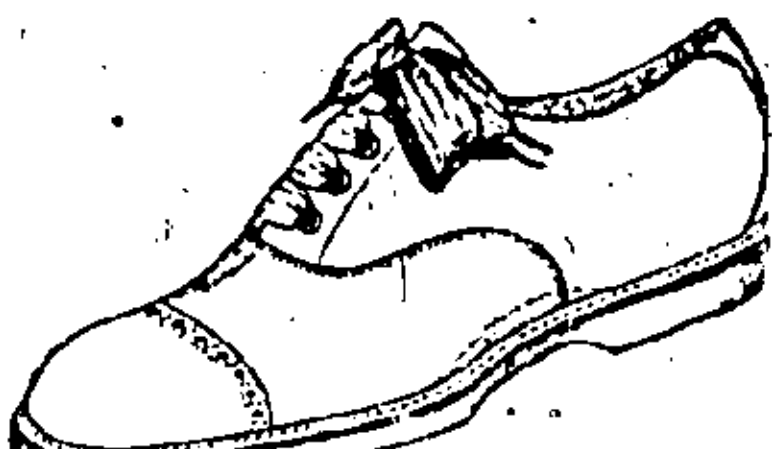
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DEATHS.

FRIEDMAN.—On March 1, 1923, at Shanghai, Annie Friedman, beloved daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Friedman, aged 1 month.
LARSEN.—On February 27, 1923, at Shanghai, Martha, beloved wife of C. T. Larsen, aged 35 years.

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HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, MARCH 7, 1923.

ACROSS THE POLE.

Road Amundsen, yesterday's cables report, has now completed his plans for a flight across the North Pole. He expects to start at the end of June, flying from Point Barrow, Alaska's northernmost cape, to Spitzbergen, a distance of 1,800 miles. First to reach the South Pole and second to navigate the North-East Passage, the great Norwegian explorer hopes to make this new undertaking the crowning achievement of his career. And indeed, unless the manifold perils prove too great, he will have accomplished a voyage fit to rank with the world's epic feats, for his plan has been described as the greatest venture into the unknown since Columbus set out from the shores of Spain.

Polar exploration has many heroic tales to tell—who will ever forget Scott's undying story or Shackleton's deathless fame?—but not since Andre, a Swedish engineer, tried to discover the North Pole twenty-five years ago by means of a specially constructed balloon, has such a daring plan as Amundsen's been tried. Striking right across the "Unknown Region," which Stefansson describes as "The Zone of Comparative Inaccessibility," Amundsen must, unless he is able to do so, keep his aeroplane aloft steadily for eighteen hours. Accompanied by two pilots—one a Canadian army aviator and the other a Norwegian airman—he will carry enough gasoline for twenty hours. The item alone will weigh two tons and there will also

be oil, food, cameras and scientific instruments. However, experts affirm that flying conditions in the Arctic are ideal in the summer time, and, we are told, in the latitude of Point Barrow the sun never sets between May 9 and August 4. Other advantages are the constancy of the prevailing north-easterly winds and the presence of large icefields which tend to keep the surface of the sea comparatively smooth. Amundsen's plans have never been widely announced, but according to Mr. Burt McConnell, the American Arctic explorer, it is expected he will utilize both a monoplane and a biplane to transport fuel supplies to a spot on the ice approximately 600 miles north of Point Barrow. Having determined the latitude and longitude of the cache, he will return to shore. The biplane will become a scout for Amundsen's ship the "Maud" which will then sail to the north-westward until she is stopped by the Arctic pack, and will there permit the ice to close in about her. "In this fashion, with a mere handful of men as a crew, the 'Maud' will begin what what may become a five-year drift over the Pole to Spitzbergen—or a drift to her doom within six months." Meanwhile, Amundsen, with his two pilots will set out for the oil fuel cache. Whether he will find it, Mr. McConnell explains, depends upon the winds and currents, for these have been known to move icefields as much as forty miles in a single day. Having replenished supplies and overhauled the motor, Amundsen will begin his flight to Spitzbergen flying eighty miles an hour. However, should he find weather and ice conditions favourable, he might, Mr. McConnell understands, land at the North Pole to take observations.

What results will Amundsen's perilous voyage produce, apart from writing another heroic chapter in the history of human endeavour? Experts believe that an extensive land mass lies within the unknown area between Alaska and the Pole. Assuming they are right, and assuming Amundsen is able, from his aeroplane high above, to glimpse this

hypothetical continent, will this new land repay finding? Mr. Connell is dubious. It is not likely, he thinks, that this area would be inhabited, nor could the discoverer expect to find rich coal deposits as in Spitzbergen, or copper, such as Stefansson found on Victoria Island. But the expedition can produce good results apart from the discovery of material wealth, for "to know whether or not land does exist in this area, and to what extent, would be of considerable value to science, because it is of quite as much importance to know that land does not exist in this area as that it does exist." And at that we must leave it until Amundsen has sought the answer and braved the unknown. Whatever value his perilous task have for science, the story of his attempt, successful or unsuccessful, cannot fail to stir the public imagination. The world will therefore follow his fortunes with the closest interest and hope that complete success will crown his sporting venture.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

Three Chinese cases of small-pox were reported yesterday, one from Victoria and the other two from Kowloon.

Mr. Jolean Arnold, American Commercial Attaché is expected to leave San Francisco for Shanghai about April 5, according to word received here.

The Rev. G. R. and Mrs. Lindsay leave for Home by the "Empress of Asia" on March 22nd. During Mr. Lindsay's absence, the Rev. H. S. Bailey will be in charge at St. Andrew's Church.

A disastrous fire has occurred at Chungking rendering thousands homeless. The China Inland Mission headquarters at Shanghai has received a telegraphic appeal for funds to relieve the distress.

EDUCATION OF BRITISH CHILDREN. DON'T FORGET TO-MORROW'S PUBLIC MEETING.

CITY HALL 5.30 P.M.

The R. A. Athletic meeting will be held on the 22nd and 23rd at the U. S. R. C. ground, Kowloon. A mile race open to the Services and British residents has been fixed for 3.20 p.m. on the last day.

The forthcoming weddings are announced of Mr. Robert Spier Logan, Assistant Engineer of the Public Works Department, to Miss Jessie Jacks, of No. 1, Canton Villas, Kowloon; and of Captain Isaac Chalmers, of the s.s. "Nairang," to Miss Margaret Piper, editress, of New York.

Dr. H. Lechmere Clift, of Nanjing, who has been in Peking for many months past, has come to Hongkong to take charge of the Matilda Hospital, during the absence of Dr. J. H. Sanders, who leaves for England to-day on a short visit in consequence of the recent death of his father.

A Chinese recently arrested in Shanghai and suspected of implication in the "Sui An" piracy was released last week. In a house in the French Concession, Det. Inspector Willis found a small armory and other incriminating articles but the suspect was not identified at any of the parades held here. As no evidence can be produced against him, he has been returned to Shanghai.

It is announced that the Royal Marine officers of the H.M.S. "Hawkins," flagship of Admiral Sir A. C. Leveson, Com-in-Chief, China Station, when the decommissioning will be Major and Brevet Lieut-Col. R. H. Darwell, R.M.L.I., who has been in the ship since last August; and Capt. R. W. Bagot, R.M.L.I., now at the Deal Depot, who will replace Lieut. K. E. Previtt, R.M.L.I.

It will be learned with very general regret that the N. O. Daily News that Mr. M. O. Liddell has resigned his position as Secretary of the Municipal Council and will be going home. Mr. Liddell entered the Council's service in 1915 in succession to Mr. W. F. Leveson. He has proved himself a most able Secretary and has made many friends not less among his colleagues than in the community at large. They will all be very sorry to hear of his approaching departure.

CUT THE CARDS.

[TOM WRIGHT STUFF.]

HONOLULU. Englishmen, says Schopenhauer, entertain a peculiar contempt for degradation, and look upon it as something vulgar and undignified. This seems to me (he goes on) a silly prejudice on their part, and the outcome of their general prudery. For here we have a language which nature has given to everyone, and which everyone understands, and to do away with and forbid it for no better reason than that it is opposed to that much-lauded thing, gentlemanly convention, is a very questionable proceeding.

For the intellect of Schopenhauer I have great respect. He was one of our really great thinkers. So, though he was a German, and I am an Englishman, I am willing to ponder that accusation with an open mind, and ready to admit its truth if I find it true. Instead of suspecting racial prejudice in him (which may have existed, and I believe did) I am carefully remembering that my impulse to quarrel with that fear at us may be due to racial prejudice in myself. If this be so, it will betray itself in the course of my argument, which may then be discounted or wholly dismissed.

I disclose at once the thought I had in reading that passage. It struck me as inconsistent. Unless I have misunderstood him, Schopenhauer teaches that the superior man is one who regards life objectively, and subordinates will to intellect. I recall that he quotes Ovid's "non est tanti," and Plato's aphorism that nothing in human affairs is worth any great anxiety. I would remind him that Englishmen—especially of the class that scorns degradation—read the classics too. This German it was who first vivified for me the idea that the emotional man is "common," small, a Martha among men, earnest about trivialities, while the great are unemotional and observant.

Now I am far from claiming that Englishmen are great in this sense; but it is not right to suggest, that in forbidding display of emotion as bad form, they are trying to be? If they industriously and scrupulously seem superior to their emotions, they are on the natural way to be so. They practise, in the literal sense of the verb, Schopenhauer's own teaching.

To be earnest and strenuous, he told us, was the imminent and common view of life, held by small men. To free intellect from the mere service of the will, and let it contemplate life dispassionately, so to see its vain and futile character, is the attitude of the great man. [Bingo—I might as well—he was a great man, and conscious of it. This would be unworthy. I agree, indeed, with his own remark that "modesty in people of only moderate ability is more honesty; but in those who possess great talent it would be hypocrisy."]

There is nothing strange in the fact that a hard-worked intellect should arrive at pessimism. Pessimism comes to meet such half way. It is strange, however, if the pessimist be content to go on living in that "great" way, aloof, indifferent. What happens is this, that either he commits suicide, or dismisses the discovery from mind by plunging wholeheartedly into the "common" or "small" way.

It will help our understanding to descend from the general to particulars, from abstract to concrete. I have learned some psychology at the Bridge table. It is a good place to study human nature, although I should perhaps warn you that such study will spoil your Bridge. I am a better psychologist than a Bridge player.

I recall one man who disliked "post-mortems" and all discussion of the game. He frequently announced that he played to pass the time, and didn't care whether he won or lost. I hated him heartily. Searching my heart to learn why I should hate him, I decided that it was because he posed as superior. I also played to pass the time; but when I played I wanted to win. I wanted most fervently to win. Was it possible I was this man's inferior? An uncomfortable and distasteful thought.

Enquiring further of myself, I found that the loss of money did not trouble me. At half-cent points, and with my income what it was, my losses were a matter of indifference, forgotten almost immediately. My occasional gains made absolutely no difference to my spending. Then why did I desire so much to win, and why was I chagrined when I lost? Could I not emulate this superior man's aloofness and indifference? I tried. I found that by keeping my mind on it I could do it, and be absolutely indifferent. But I found that there was now no pleasure in the game. I no longer felt the exhilaration of scoring a no-trump hand, nor the joy of finding length in Spades, nor the depression of spirit that comes with a Yarborough. I found myself yawning and looking at the time. I had the thought that I was sitting at that table as a perpetual

SATURDAY'S DOG SHOW.

CANINES AND CATS.

DUP DOULTY AND PIGEONS LACKING.

The dog, cat, poultry and pigeon show which is to take place at the Headquarters of the Hongkong Defence Corps on Saturday will be well worth a visit for close upon a hundred animals will be on view.

Already 95 entries have been received for the exhibition of dogs while seven cats will also be on show. Evidently the poultry and pigeon section does not appeal and unless more entries are made to day when the entry list closes that section of the show will be cancelled.

Organised by the Hongkong Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals the show promises to be one of the best yet held in the Colony. The last show which the Society ran was held in 1920 but the entries then no where near approached the number of entries that have been handed in for Saturday.

Up to the present the classified entries are as follows:—Fox Terriers, 10, Bull Dogs, 7, Airedales, 3, Bull Terriers, 2, Boston Bull Terriers, 2, Boston Bull Terrier, 1, Chow, 8, Pointers, 4, Setters, 2, Crossbreeds, 13, Japanese, 6, Pekinase, 6, Unclassified, 10, Cocker Spaniels, 8, Puppies 6 to 12 months old, 15, Litters of Puppies, 4.

The judges appointed for the dog section are:—Capt. Oxpring, Col. Batterworth, Commander Beckwith, Mr. F. J. McCarthy, and Mr. H. Birkett while Mr. Dyer will be judge for the cat section.

SAMSHUI FIRE.

MUCH DAMAGE DONE.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

SAMSHUI, March 5. At about half-past four to-day, some soldiers playing fan-tan in a match on the waterfront, accidentally set the shed on fire. In a short time, many houses in the vicinity were involved, the conflagration assuming considerable dimensions. The soldiers, displaying callous indifference, did hardly anything beyond acting as spectators. Through the strenuous efforts of the customs staff, both foreign and native, the Post Office, a new building, was saved, but over one hundred houses were gutted. The damage is estimated at \$200,000. The troops of Yunnan soldiers who were at Samshui, are marching on Canton, leaving behind a guard of about 100 strong.

Dummy, merely to amuse three vulgar men for whom I had no love. Previously, even when heatedly disputing with them over the play, I had loved them, thought them fine fellows. I talked of giving up Bridge.

More meditation showed me that we were all really as indifferent as the superior player said he was; but that we were in a conspiracy to pretend that we were not. Like happy children, we played and enjoyed a pretending game. We pretended that it mattered whether we paid out a dollar or received one. We successfully pretended that a successful re-double was a thing of thrilling beauty and a joy for ever. So long as we all "played the game," and all seemed to care very greatly and agree that the result really mattered, we enjoyed our Bridge. The "superior" man spoiled his own fun, and threatened ours.

It is so with life. We cannot take the Pessimist as partner and expect to enjoy it. The pessimist will irritate us. I find some justice in the quotation I set out to attack, since I am now aware that I get more fun, and am more cheerfully affected, by the man who gesticulates, who shows emotion, than by the man who poses as unemotional. In my intellectual core I am unemotional—life is a bumble-puppy game—and if I stayed there I would feel as lonely and cold as a naked man on an ice floe. In my heart (figuratively speaking) I am emotional. I determinedly walk up and warm my hands at the fire of life, beaming on such company as I find. I watch for a vacant seat in the card-room of life, and sit in eagerly. Whether my hands be good or bad, I gesticulate. I am excited. I forget that dreadfully low peak of intellect of which I had a terrifying glimpse. I dismiss it deliberately. I turn to my neighbor, grinning, ostentatiously cheerful, and I ask him (as one impatient to begin) "Whose deal is it?"

What Schopenhauer said of life, and my superior friend of Bridge, is alike true, terribly true; but we must never admit it. We must refuse to think of it. We must copy Sarah Battle's devotion to the rigour of the game. Conquer les cartes, a'il vous plait.

CORRESPONDENCE.

THE EDUCATION OF BRITISH CHILDREN.

[To the Editor of the "China Mail,"]

SIR,—As the Chairman of the meeting to be held to-morrow at 5.30 p.m. at the City Hall for the consideration of the above important subject, it has become evident to me, as the result of a full consideration of the matter with some of those interested, that it is essential, to an orderly discussion of the above subject, and in order to arrive at some definite recommendations to lay before the Government, that certain resolutions should be brought before the meeting.

With the above end in view, I beg leave to submit the following resolutions (without prejudice) to any others which anybody at the meeting may desire to bring forward)

1.—That kindergarten schools for children between the ages of 5 and 9 years be established, on the most modern methods, with specially trained kindergarten teachers in charge, at the Peak, Kowloon, Quarry Bay and Causeway Bay.

(All the following resolutions relate exclusively to children over the age of 9):—

2.—That it is essential that British boys and girls above the age of 9 should receive a better education in this Colony than at present.

3.—That such education should be of a sound and practical character which will fit such boys and girls to occupy useful positions when they grow up.

4.—That in order to avoid duplication of the teaching staff, a school for the co-education of boys and girls be established.

5.—That, for the purpose of subjecting them to the necessary training and discipline, it is desirable that the boys should be boarders and not day boys.

6.—That the staff at such school should, as regards teaching qualifications, approximate so far as possible to the present staff of Queen's College, and that continuity of staff, especially of the seniors, should be secured.

7.—That it is essential, in order to make such a school as is suggested a success, that parents should earnestly co-operate with the staff of the school in

(1)—Maintaining strict discipline over the boys and girls; and

(2)—In securing the regular attendance of the boys and girls at school.

8.—That adequate playing grounds should be attached to the school and that the playing of games should be compulsory for boys.

Hoping that the above suggested resolutions, which are based to a considerable extent on the recommendations in the recent report of the Sub-Committee on Education, may, if they meet with support at to-morrow's meeting, be the means of inducing the Government to improve the education of British children in this Colony.—Yours, etc.,

H. E. POLLOCK.

P.S.—May I most strongly urge parents, and all those who are interested in education, to attend the above meeting. The best proof which they can give to the Government that they are in earnest on this question is by coming in large numbers. Permission has been given by the Government to Government servants to attend and speak at the meeting, and it is hoped that they take full advantage of such permission, as it is desired that the meeting should be as representative as possible.

Hongkong, March 7.

POLO.

THE NAVY CLUB.

The Naval and Royal Marine Members of the Hongkong Polo Club have presented a very handsome cup to be played for annually by teams made up by handicaps as evenly matched as possible. Each team will play two chukkas against each other team and the cup is to be awarded to the team scoring most points.

The first competition will take place on Thursday 8th and Saturday 10th March—play to commence each day at 4.30.

The following are the teams:—
A Team:—Major Gen. Sir John Fowler (Capt), Lieut. Davies, Lieut. Dundas, V. Count Dunwich.
B Team:—Capt. Neville (Capt), Capt. Meredith, Lieut. D'Arth, Surg. Lt. Carr, Biddle.

C Team:—J. Bartholomew (Capt), Lieut. Redding, L. Nelson, Lieut. Fleming.
D Team:—Capt. Fisher (Capt), J. G. Lyon, Capt. Crocker, Midshipman Roberts.

E Team:—C. C. Boyd (Capt), H. C. Macnamara, Lieut. Previtt, Surg. Cmr. Liddon.

WEST RIVER EPISODE.

HOSPITAL LAUNCH FIRED ON.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Wuchow, March 6. Dr. Leavell of the Stout Memorial Hospital, Wuchow, accompanied by his wife and daughter was proceeding up river on Monday afternoon on the hospital launch "Rosolok." Near Nam Hong Has, below Tak Hing the launch met with heavy firing from the village. Dr. Leavell landed and demanded an apology from the commanding officer, pointing out that the launch was flying a Red Cross and the American flag. Subsequently, an apology was given and two armed launches were provided as an escort for the hospital launch.

VESSELS BEING SEARCHED.

[From Our Own Correspondent.]

Samshui, March 6.

At Yuet Jing, a party of Kwangai soldiers on the sternwheeler "Saisan" searches all vessels proceeding up river, but no reason has been given for the examination.

MARTIAL LAW RESCINDED.

According to the vernacular papers, the Canton officials have forbidden the forcible detention of West River steamers for search purposes and the Cantonese commanders at Tak Hing and Shui Hing together with the Yunnanese commander at Samshui have ordered the rescinding of martial law in their respective areas.

STOLEN OPIUM.

SIX CONSTABLES CHARGED.

A Sikh constable, Bhagat Singh was charged by the Superintendent of Imports and Exports at the Magistrate's office this morning together with Au-Yang Kang, an office coolie, with stealing one ball of raw opium weighing 48 taels from the Opium Farm, Wanchai.

First defendant, who was on duty at the Farm, was taken into custody by Det. Sub-Inspector Cockle. The case was remanded till Friday.

THE DREAD UNKNOWN.

DANGER OF MEDDLING WITH SPIRITUALISM.

An earnest warning to nervous persons to avoid spiritualism is given by Dr. W. Stokell, the Viennese neurologist and psychotherapist, in his work Conditions of Nervous Anxiety and Their Treatment. He says: "Every normal person knows that there are questions about which one cannot think; indeed, must not think I have often heard very wise and critical people say that they dare not meditate on the questions of 'infinity' or on 'time' and 'space'; otherwise something in the head threatens to go wrong."

Therefore all neurotics and all enthusiasts likely to be carried away by idle fancies, all who are by heredity disposed to psychosis, must be restrained from meddling with spiritualism and especially with spirit-writing.

It is a very venturesome thing unless one's inner being is established with absolute firmness to plunge deeply into spiritualism. Especially people who are divided within should be restrained from this dangerous sport. They may arise transitory symptoms of hysterical lunacy.

Several cases are given which came under Dr. Stokell's observation, in which hysteria or "loss of balance" resulted.

THE CHANGE SHE NEEDED.

Into the general store of a village in Virginia there came one day not long ago a diminutive darky, who laid upon the counter a single egg, and said—

"Boss, my mudder says, please give her a needle for dis egg."

"Why, he said, 'you can get two needles for an egg.'"

"No, boss," continued the darky. "my mudder, don't want two needles; she want, please give me de change in dis egg."

LAST NIGHT'S BALL.

GAY CITY HALL EVENT.

DOG TAKES PART.

The City Hall presented a brilliant scene of dazzling colour last night. It was the occasion of the fancy dress ball which took place under the auspices of the Hongkong Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. There were about 700 people present and that they had an enjoyable time is not at all to be doubted.

The bulk of the dancers were in fancy costume and it would require a wide stretch of imagination to go one better than some of the fancy dresses that were displayed last night, which, to say the least were wonderful. Every conceivable design of costume was on exhibition—pierrots, harlequins, cowboys, pirates, 16th and 17th century dresses, while others with a sense of the ridiculous adopted a more original character. There was the man who was attired half in evening dress and the other half in pyjamas. Another presented a sorrowful figure as the man who had left his luggage behind and so on. Those who were at the dance will probably agree with the statement that the men dancers had an easy win over their partners as far as topical and original fancy dresses were concerned. They would certainly have swooned up all the prizes had any been on offer but this year the Society decided to have the dance without offering prizes for the best dressed man or woman. Others who thought they would attend the dance as gentlemen were fined one dollar and that there were many who failed to appear in fancy dress can be easily judged from the fact that over \$115 was collected from men who committed this breach.

The decorations were in keeping with the event. Flags, bunting and greenery provided the main theme, although Mr. George Duncan's tableau which he erected on the top of the hall stairway was a complete novelty itself and attracted an unusual amount of attention. This particular decoration illustrated a black cat sitting on a rocky crag and far from the reach of anyone who would dare to be cruel to animals. It was illuminated by electric lights which conveyed Mr. Duncan's idea more clearly. Surmounting this effect was the crest of the Society.

Among prominent people present were:—H. E. the Governor and Lady Stubbs, Admiral Sir Arthur and Lady Leveson, Commodore and Mrs. Grace, Mr. and Mrs. Holyoak, Mr. Justice and Mrs. Gompertz, Mr. R. E. Lindell, Col. Nicholson, Col. Butterworth, Col. W. Orpen Sanders, Major Barrett, Capt. Fisher, and Capt. Neville. Major General Sir John and Lady Fowler were also in attendance, and they brought along with them their wonderful Alsatian wolfhound which in its inimitable way collected \$115 which came as a welcome addition to the Society's funds.

The whole of the decorations were the work of Mr. George Duncan, of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock. The general arrangements were in the hands of the ladies of the general committee of the Society who had formed themselves into a Ball Committee. Messrs. Lane, Crawford, Messrs. Wiseman's, Messrs. Watsons, and the Dairy Farm very generously agreed to supply all the refreshments gratis, and they acquitted themselves with honour. Lady Chater, too again evidenced her generosity by the donation of \$500 for the work of the Society.

HARBOUR COLLISION.

LAUNCH SINKS JUNK.

Yesterday a junk sank near the Wing Lok Wharf as the result of a collision with the steam launch "Fung Nin." The junk was being towed towards the wharf when the launch, which was leaving at the same time, was carried away by wind and tide, making a collision inevitable.

A hole amidships caused by the impact soon let in sufficient water to sink the junk with its cargo of baskets and firewood. Later in the morning it was raised and towed away. Damage to the junk is estimated at \$200 but nobody was injured.

TAKOO TROUBLE.

FITTERS BOUND OVER.

Arising out of the bad feeling between two gangs of fitters employed at the Takoo Sugar Refinery, two of one gang were charged before Mr. J. R. Wood yesterday with assaulting another fitter from the rival gang. For the defendants, Mr. Leo d'Almeida suggested that all parties should be bound over. To this the complainant had no objection and all three were bound over to keep the peace for six months in bonds of \$50.

GOING HOME.

OLD RESIDENTS LEAVING US.

MR. MOWBRAY NORTHCOOTE.

This time of the year in Hongkong usually spells for sojourners in the Far East, a trip to the homeland either on furlough or on retirement. With the departure of the a.s. "Morca" this afternoon, many well known residents will be leaving the colony.

The familiar figure of Mr. Mowbray Stafford Northcoote, the genial secretary of the Hongkong Land Investment Co. will be missed by all who enjoyed his friendship, or were associated with him in business and it will be no exaggeration to say that his departure will occasion a genuine regret mitigated by thoughts that he is going home to enjoy a highly-deserved rest amongst his own people.

Mr. Northcoote was born in a little village in Devonshire in 1860. Educated at the Royal Grammar School at Guildford and All Hallows School, Hoxton, he joined the firm of Messrs. Phipps and Co., of Liverpool in 1878 and served a five year's apprenticeship. In 1883 he migrated to America where he was for twelve months with the Great Northern Railway. After this he was in North Dakota for a number of years, being interested in real estate and banking. On May 10th, 1892, Mr. Northcoote arrived in Hongkong. His first appointment here was secretary to the Steam Launch Co. operating ferries to Yauwatt and a boat to Macao. Since October 1895, he has been associated with the Land Investment Co., acting as secretary on several occasions during the absence on leave of Mr. Shelton Hooper, receiving the substantive appointment on January 1st, 1920.

In his long stay here Mr. Northcoote has been actively identified with many organisations. Socially, he will be long remembered for his frequent appearances in the productions of the Amateur Dramatic Club. His brilliance coupled with his jovial personality invariably marked him out for most difficult parts and the gap created by his departure will be hard to fill. Appearing first in "Lord and Lady Algie" in 1903, he has appeared in most of the productions since besides undertaking the duties of Hon. Secretary and Treasurer for some time. His recent portrayal of Uncle Daniel in "I'll leave it to you" was an unqualified success, causing roars of laughter to those present.

For his services with the Volunteers he has been awarded the V.D. He served from 1897 to 1914 where he retired as a Captain. In 1918, he joined, by special request, the Volunteer Reserve, being given command of "D" company till his retirement at the end of the war in 1918. Mr. Northcoote was hon. secretary of the old Hongkong Rifle Association and the Hongkong Volunteers Rifle League; he has also been in charge of many of the Inter-port rifle matches since 1898.

Turning to a different sphere of his activities, one recalls that he has been Hon. secretary to the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, the Hongkong Devotion Society and President of the Philatelic Society. Mr. Northcoote has also served on the Licensing Board having been made a Justice of the Peace in 1909.

Mr. Northcoote, it may be mentioned, is a cousin of the present Lord Idlesleigh, his father being a brother of the first Lord Idlesleigh (better known, perhaps, as Sir Stafford Northcoote, who was a distinguished member of Lord Salisbury's Administration).

In addition to the presentation from the staff of the Hongkong Land Investment and Agency Co., Mr. Northcoote has also been made the recipient of a handsome silver salver from the members of the Amateur Dramatic Club; a silver cigar box with a Latin inscription was also presented to Mr. Northcoote by twenty-two friends with their signatures in facsimile.

MR. J. H. UNDERWOOD. Another old resident who is leaving by the "Morca" for good is Mr. J. H. Underwood, analytical chemist at the China Sugar Refinery, who has been in the Colony since December 1, 1887. In his younger days Mr. Underwood took a keen interest in the V.R.C. gymnasium and also in the Volunteer Corps, in which he was Captain of "O" Machine Gun Co. He is a life member of the Victoria Lodge of Freemasons in which he at one time occupied the Senior Warden's chair. Mr. Underwood married at home in 1902. On his retirement from the firm he has served so long, the staff of the Refinery (four of whom, including Mr. Underwood, have a total of 185 years' service) made him a presentation of blackwood furniture as a token of their esteem and good wishes.

DEPARTURES ON LEAVE. The Hon. Mr. Claud Severn, O.M.G., is going home on leave accompanied by Mr. Severn.

Mr. E. P. Winslow, Manager of the British section of the Kowloon-Canton

SPORT.

BILLIARDS.

SUBS. V. MARINES.

An interesting billiard match took place in the Royal Naval Yard Police Club on Monday evening, a team representing the Chief and P.O.'s Submarines opposing the Sergeants R.M.L.I. of the Fleet. The Marines were without the services of Sergt. Symonds, whilst P. O. Hilton deputised for E. R. A. Ball. The Submarines won decisively by 250 points. The following are the scores:

SUBS.	PTS.
P. O. Rumbold	150
P. O. Collins	150
R. R. A. White	150
P. O. Davies	150
P. O. Gough	150
P. O. Hilton	150
	900

SERGTS. R.M.L.I.

Sergt. O'Neill	136
Sergt. Gaden	129
Colour Sergt. Nash	79
Colour Sergt. Young	98
Sergt. Dickenson	81
Colour Sergt. Payne	127
	650

FOOTBALL.

HONGKONG LEAGUE TABLES TO DATE.

DIVISION I.

	P.	W.	L.	D.	PTS.
King's	10	11	2	3	25
Ambrose	10	10	6	0	20
Kowloon	16	8	5	3	19
H.K. Club	16	7	7	2	16
Titania	14	5	5	3	15
Hawkins	13	5	4	4	14
Tamar	15	6	4	4	14
South China	13	5	5	3	13
R.G.A.	15	3	8	4	10
Durban	14	3	9	2	8
Police	12	0	6	6	6

DIVISION II.

Hawkins	14	13	1	0	26
King's	14	13	1	0	26
S. China 'B'	14	10	3	1	21
United A. C.	11	7	4	3	17
St. Joseph's	10	8	2	0	16
Titania	12	6	3	3	15
R.G.A.	14	6	2	14	14
S. China 'A'	11	6	4	1	13
Marazion	11	6	4	1	13
Kowloon	11	5	4	2	12
University	14	6	7	2	12
Ambrose	14	4	10	0	8
Durban	12	3	8	1	7
Warders	14	3	11	0	6
Police	14	1	13	0	2
Auxiliaries	14	0	13	1	1

GOV.

CAPTAIN'S CUP AND ROLL.

The February Competitions resulted as follows:—
Captain's Cup.—C. C. Stark qualifies, 83—9=74 net.

Captain's Cup Pool is divided between J. M. Walker and J. R. Lloyd, both 81 net.

The 1922 Captain's Cup was won by C. O. Stark, who beat J. W. Franks by 3 up and 2 to play.

JAPANESE TENOR.

THURSDAY NIGHT'S PROGRAMME.

There is every indication of full houses assembling at the Theatre Royal on Thursday and Friday nights, when Mr. Seijiro Tatumai, the noted Japanese tenor, will give song recitals, assisted by Mr. Milton Seymour as accompanist.

The programme for Thursday night will be as follows:—

- 1.—"Wings in the Trees" (A. Goring Thomas) and "Mattiata" (Ruggiero Leoncavallo).
- 2.—"O Sleep, Why Dost Thou Leave Me" (Handel); "Venezia Veneziana" (Ronato Brogi); and "To A Hill Top" (Ralph Cor).
- 3.—Two Principal Arias from the Opera "La Tosca" (Puccini): "Recondita Armonia" and "E lucevan le Stelle."
- 4.—"I'll Wake (Amy Woodforde, Fenden); Requiem (Sidney Homer); "Ave Maria" (Bach-Gounod).
- 5.—A Cycle of five Japanese Love Songs (Kosaku Yamada); and "Vesti la Giubba" from the opera "Pagliacci" (Ruggiero Leoncavallo).
- 6.—"Idella" (F. Paolo Toati); "How Many Times" (written for and dedicated to Seijiro Tatumai by Milton Seymour); "Sylvia" (Sindling); "O Paradise" (from the opera "L'Africain" by Giacomo Meyerbeer).

Railway is going home on leave, accompanied by Mrs. Winslow. Mr. W. L. Leask, of Messrs. Leigh and Orange, is also going home on holiday, accompanied by Mrs. Leask. Dr. J. H. Sanders, of the Maternity Hospital, is paying a short visit to the homeland, with Mrs. Sanders and family in consequence of the recent death of his father. Dr. Sanders expects to be back in the Colony early in July.

TO-DAY'S NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

R. A. ATHLETIC MEETING.

22ND AND 23RD MARCH, 1923.

U.S.R.C. GROUND, KOWLOON.

At the above Meeting there will be a Mile Race open to the Services and all British Residents in the Colony.
The Race is timed for 3:20 P.M. on the 23rd instant.
Hongkong, March 7, 1923.

PUBLIC AUCTION.

PARTICULARS AND Conditions of the letting by Public Auction Sale, to be held on MONDAY, the 12th day of March, 1923, at 3 p.m., at the Office of the Public Works Department, by Order of His Excellency the Governor of one Lot of CROWN LAND at Causeway Bay in the Colony of Hongkong, for a term of 20 years, with the option of renewal at a Crown Rent to be fixed by the Surveyor of His Majesty the King, for one further term of 70 years.

PARTICULARS OF THE LOT.

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70	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
71	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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78	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
79	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
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96	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
97	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
98	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
99	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.
100	At Lung Hang Valley	N.	S.	E.	W.	ft.	ft.	ft.

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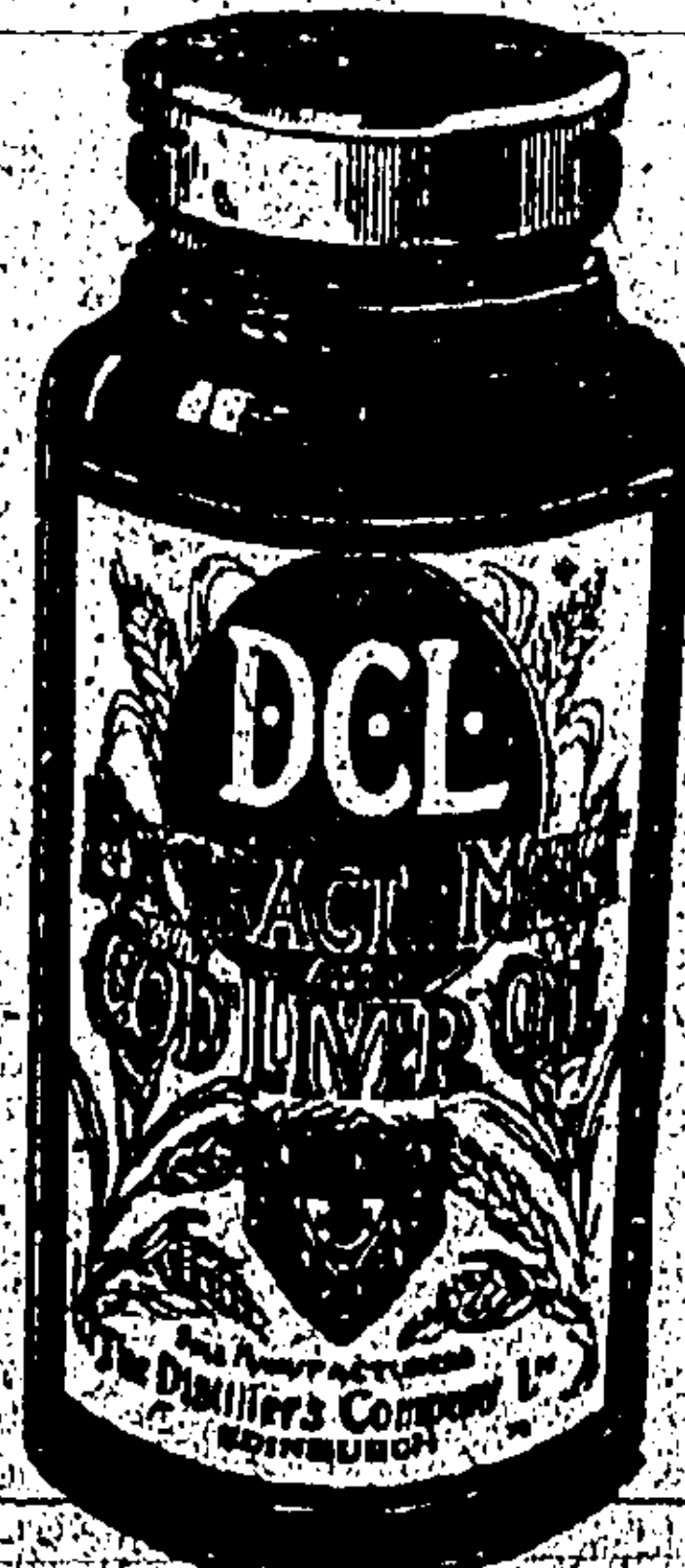
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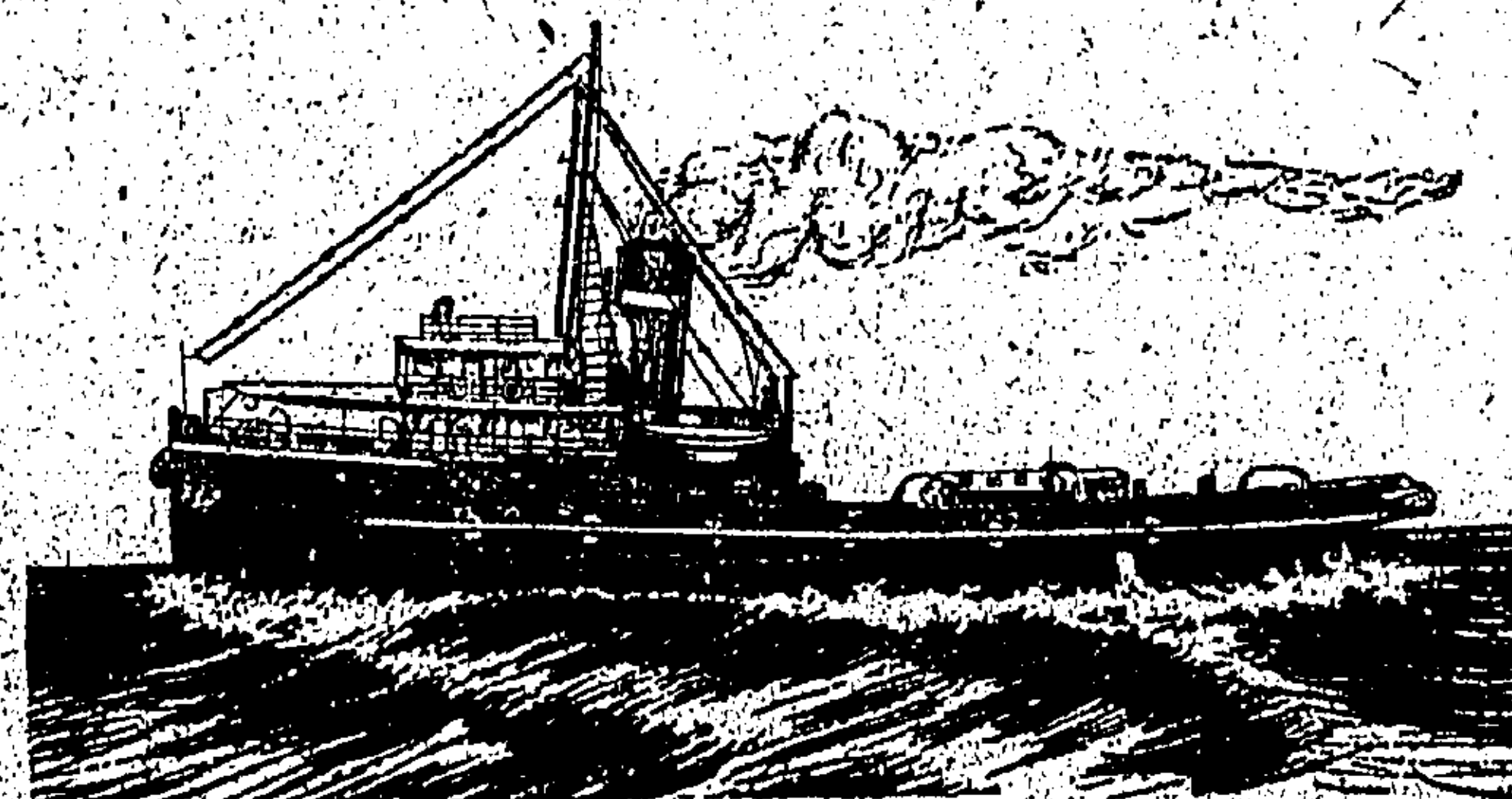
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CHINESE HAIRNET INDUSTRY
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ANTI-"BOBBING" PROPAGANDA.

When Western flappers decided to "bob" their hair and look smart, they could not have devised a better means to affect the hairnet industry in China but this is, of course, a fact, as native manufacturers have learnt to their sorrow. And in the United States, dealers in hairnets have spent thousands of dollars in conducting a propaganda, either by means of special articles, or by advertising, for the abolition of such unwomanly things as "bobbing" the hair.

Very little was known of the hairnet industry in China until recent years when it assumed an abnormal "bigness." The industry was first started in Shanghai by the Germans, who realized the enormous possibilities of cheap labour and the quantity of human hair available in this country during the days of the Manchus. It has been said that the source of supply of hairnets made in Shanghai was kept a secret until a London buyer accidentally discovered in a package of hairnets some Chinese characters. Once the source of supply became known, competition became very keen, German firms that had started the business, and had hitherto dominated it exclusively, began to find foreign competitors who sent their representatives out to China to engage in the same industry.

Taipei, and after the world-war, Cheloo, became the principal ports of export for hairnets. In the latter port, thousands of workmen were seen daily attending to their work. Chinese female servants, who formerly could be employed at from two to three dollars per month, would not now do household work, which in Chinese homes lasts from early morn until late at night, as they could easily earn from \$12 to \$15 a month for making hairnets, and work a few number of hours. When the industry was in its prosperous days, it is estimated that some thirty million dollars' worth of hairnets were exported annually from various points in China, chiefly from Cheloo, Taipei, Tientsin and Shanghai.

The industry was threatened at various times by reckless handling on the part of exporters, by bad legislation on the part of the Chinese Government, and by careless packing. The trade requires 90 per cent. of perfect nets upon arrival at destination. In 1920-1922, the demand in the United States was so great that exporters shipped over enormous quantities which turned out to be defective upon arrival, with but 40 to 45 per cent. of perfect nets, with the result that large sums of money were lost and huge quantities of the nets being thrown on the market.

For sometime the "bobbing" of the hair of girls in America has helped to depress the business, and the trade in America is said to have spent thousands of dollars in propaganda work in order to retain the business by urging women not to indulge in such foolishness as "bobbing" of hair. If they succeed in arresting this "bobbing" craze on the part of American women, they will help considerably in maintaining the trade in hairnets.

From the very beginning, the Chinese Government levied little or no tax on the industry, but last year, owing to an empty treasury, a suggestion on the part of the Government to levy a heavy tax was mentioned.

Since the slump in New York in 1921, business along this line has become stagnant, and hundreds of dealers and manufacturers have had to close down. During the past few months, exports from China have picked up a little, but it will take considerable time to revive the trade in hairnets—at any rate not before the anti-"bobbing" propaganda succeeds in reawakening the interest of women in the charms of a perfect coiffure.

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INTERPORT ROWING.

SHANGHAI CREWS TRAIN-
ING.

With little more than two weeks before the Hongkong Interport Regatta (on March 17), the Shanghai four have much hard work before them. With crews from Canton, Singapore and the Crown Colony against them, the main event—the Interport Four—is bound to prove a stiff one. The rowing standard undoubtedly will be of a high order.

It is unfortunate for Shanghai (says the N.C. Daily News) that the invitation was not sent earlier. The local four will scarcely have had five weeks in which to get together, which is not nearly long enough for them to do justice to themselves as a crew. They have not rowed together as a crew prior to the present training, yet it is surprising to find them adapting themselves one to another in the short time they have already had for practice.

To do full justice to an event so important as an interport race in four, at least three months' rigorous training is required to attain anything like a high standard of seamanship, especially when it is realized that in this time fully a month should be devoted to pair-oar training on fixed seats. Owing to the very limited time for practice, the crew have had to do work in pairs during the early morning or at tiffin time, as well as going out in their four at 5 p.m. to battle with the choppy, broken waters of the Huangpu. Nowadays there is hardly a tolerable stretch of calm water to be found on the river on which a crew can settle down to do any serious rowing.

During the last week-end the crew travelled to Henli, where, despite a fairly strong northerly wind, some good practice was done. Considerable progress was noticeable. As the crew sat in their narrowest boat they were nevertheless inclined to hasten forward on their sides independently which caused their beginning to be irregular and lacking in firmness.

The first four to go out were: Scholohm (stroke), E. S. J. Phillips (3), R. J. Collar (2) and Schweizer (bow). In respect of their blade work they managed to keep fairly well together, but were much too slow at recovery, at times much too quick forward with their slides, and irregular in their body swing. Some of the crew carry on the swing too far, while others do not get back far enough. Those that lean too far have the tendency to hang at the finish of the stroke, and those who sit too erect when the slide is at the backstops have the common fault of bringing the arm to work too soon into action, thus causing their blades to leave the water before the stroke has been properly and evenly pulled through and the shoulders rowed back.

Another combination tried at Henli was the following: Scholohm (stroke), J. B. Brown (3), Collar (2), and Schweizer (bow). Beyond the boat being apparently more lively and quicker on the catch, there was no difference in its pace through the water.

In the pair event at Hongkong, Shanghai will be represented by Scholohm and Collar, and in the half mile race in tub sculls by Schweizer.

tion of the lethal weapons thus imported do come across the Pacific, there is a lot of this kind of smuggling—far more than most people imagine—carried out on ships that come from the ports of Western Europe; and it is these vessels that require quite as much vigilance from the Customs authorities as do those from North America. With the currency of some European countries at a very low ebb, pistols and ammunition can be purchased at ridiculously cheap prices in Far Eastern currency, and we believe it is not uncommon for a gun-runner to get arms from Europe, making as much as 900 or 1,000 per cent. profit, and then sell them in China at a price not considered unreasonable by the purchasers.

Chinese themselves are now realizing that every gun smuggled into the country may constitute a nail in China's national coffin. A country not possessing the elements of law and order can never prosper, and so long as the promiscuous importation of arms and ammunition into China continues, so long will China be in a condition of internal chaos and economic disorganization. Hongkong has set an admirable lead in the manner of dealing with smugglers of arms, showing, and rightly, no more consideration for the foreigner than for the Chinese; and if the various foreign authorities at the big ports of China, Shanghai especially, would adopt measures equally stern, if not more so, and if the Customs authorities, of all grades, were to become even keener on the subject than they are at present, the result would be an almost immediate betterment of a situation which, as we have already stated, is not merely a Chinese scandal, but an international one.

CANTON CRIME.

ARMED ROBBERIES PRE-
VALENT.

Hongkong does not seem to have a monopoly of armed robberies. In Canton, where this class of offence usually meets with capital punishment, occasions are rare of armed desperadoes entering houses and holding up inmates, but within the last week, three armed robberies have been reported, two in the old city and one in the western suburb. In each case the robbers got away with booty to the value of over \$1,000.

PACKING OF PIGS.

JUNK MASTER FINED.

Mr. W. J. E. Mackenzie, the Colonial Veterinary Surgeon giving evidence in the cruelty to pigs case this morning said that he would not have allowed the pigs to be carried in the manner described. They should have been placed in crates and stacked two high and not made to lie on their backs.

His Worship, Mr. J. R. Woolf, imposed a fine of \$10 on the junk master who had brought them from Sanmei.

RUBBER ROADS FOR LONDON.

AN INTERESTING EXPERIMENT.

A severe test of the efficacy of rubber as a road-covering is being made by the Holborn Borough Council, who are laying a section of Little St. Andrew-street, where it joins St. Martin's-lane, with blocks of a special hard rubber composition. Four hundred vehicles an hour pass through the street, so that the site for the experiment has been well chosen.

Some three years ago a similar test was made by the Southwark Borough Council, who paved a portion of one of their streets with a rubber composition, and considerable knowledge was gained from the experiment. For a variety of reasons the early trials were admittedly not sufficiently successful, and in the latest type of block it is hoped that the drawbacks then encountered have been overcome. The blocks now being used have a surface of eight inches by four, the depth being three inches. Upon a volcanic base is a five-eighth inch layer of rubber compound, containing 38 per cent. of pure rubber. This, it is claimed, is neither too soft nor too hard, and is not affected by oil from motors, sun, rain, snow or refuser. The blocks are laid with pitch on a concrete foundation the sides being grooved so as to interlock.

In some former experiments it was found that with wear the surface tended to peel off, and so to prevent this lamination the new blocks are not made in layers, but by an entirely different process. The advantages claimed on behalf of a road surfaced with these blocks, are that it is noiseless, that with it there is no slipping of horses or pedestrians or skidding of motor-vehicles, that it makes no dust, and is easily cleaned, and is therefore sanitary.

The blocks have been made by the Leyland and Birmingham Rubber Co., for Rubber Roadways, Ltd., and are being laid at the expense of the Borough Council, who are making a further experiment in the same street, but in this case the rubber surface of the block being superimposed on a concrete base. In both cases the price is the same, namely, £4 per square yard, as compared with 11s. to 12s. 6d. per square yard for wood. This high cost is a tremendous disadvantage, even taking into account that the life of the rubber would be far greater than that of the wood. The result of this enterprising experiment will be watched with considerable interest by the other Borough Councils, and should decide the question as to whether rubber is ever likely to be a reliable substitute for wood paving.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVALS.

Hydrangea, (Chiu On) from Swatow.—Co's Wharf.
Tanda, (B.I.S.N.) from Calcutta, Singapore.—Co's Wharf.
Haihong, (Douglas & Co.) from Foochow, Swatow.—Co's Wharf.
Anjou, (Wing Tau) from Kiangang.—Co's Wharf.
Korea Maru, (T.K.K.) from San Francisco, Shanghai.—Al.
Chili, (B. & S.) from Saigon.—On Stonecutters.
C. P. Lecoe, (M.M. Cie) from Shanghai.—A10.
Banka, (J. Maniers) from Bangkok.—C41.
Sanjin Maru, (M.B.K.) from Mike. B51.
Honolulu Maru, (O.S.K.) from Yokohama, Shanghai.—Wharf.
Amakura Maru, (O.S.K.) from Keelung, Swatow.—Wharf.
Meidan Maru, (M.B.K.) from Natuna.—Kowloon Bay.

DEPARTURES.

Hang Sang, (J. M. & Co.) for Bangkok, Swatow.—March 7.
New Marthilde, (Yik Tai) for Haiphong.—March 7.
Mores, (P. & O.) for London, Singapore.—March 7.
Yunnan, (B. & S.) for Haiphong, Hoihow.—March 7.
Amherst, (On Fat) for Hoihow.—March 7.
Toba Maru, (N. Y. K.) for New York, Shanghai.—March 7.
Ginyo Maru, (T. K. K.) for Valparaiso, Moji.—March 7.
Persia Maru, (T. K. K.) for Osaka, Keelung.—March 7.
Anjou, (Wing Tai) for Kongmon.—March 7.
Cheong Shing, (J. M. & Co.) for Tientsin.—March 7.
Hwah Hain, (Kin Tye Lung) for Bangkok.—March 7.
Tijmenoeck, (J. C. J. L.) for Dairen, Shanghai.—March 7.
O. F. Lecoe, (M. M. Cie) for Saigon.—March 7.
Ming Sang, (J. M. & Co.) for Haiphong, Hoihow.—March 8.
Kwai Wah, (Shun Hing) for Tourane.—March 8.
Hydrangea, (Chiu On) for Swatow.—March 8.
Pong Tong, (Yuen Seng Fat) for Saigon.—March 8.

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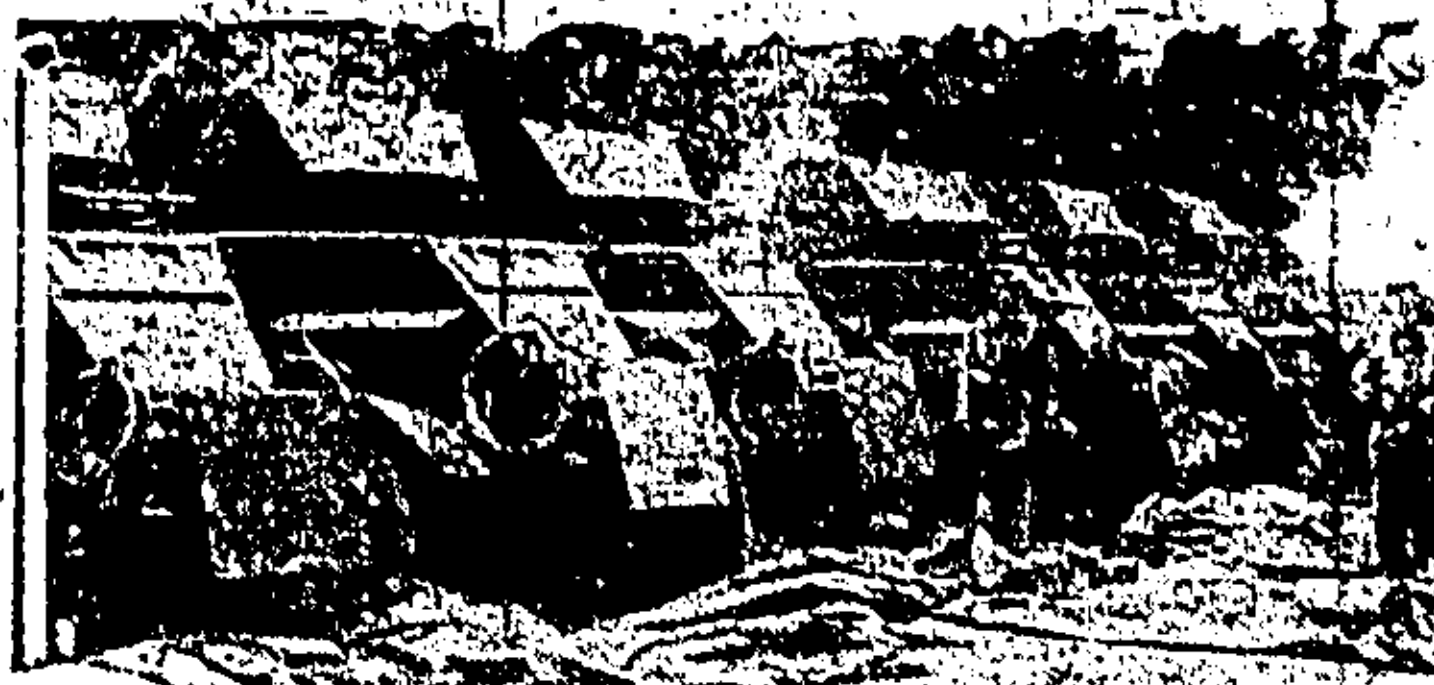




Guy Emerson, just turned 33, a Harvard graduate, has been made Vice-President of the Bankers' Trust Company of New York, one of the largest financial institutions in America. He is also manager of the American Bankers' Convention of 12,000 delegates.



This series of photograph was taken at the final split between the Allies in Paris, after France had announced her intention of invading the Ruhr District—a move opposed by Britain and the United States. Despite the break between them there was apparent cordiality between the British Premier, Mr. Bonar Law, and the French Premier M. Raymond Poincaré, when Mr. Bonar Law, accompanied by Lord Crewe, British Ambassador to France, left Paris. Marquis Della Torretta, Italian Ambassador to Great Britain, was the Italian delegate. Sir Eyre Crowe, Permanent Secretary to the British Foreign Office, was another delegate, as was also M. Thénis, Premier of Belgium.



Fleet of French tanks and artillery lined up at the Mayence bridgehead, preparatory to the invasion of the Ruhr District.

Three French Tanks Below French Artillery



Mrs. Helen M. Andrews

She was mistaken for Anna Q. Nilsson and given a rousing reception when she entered a cinema theatre.



Kathleen Morrell and her children

"Now I lay me down to sleep!" recited the five children of Miss Kathleen Morrell, unwed mother released recently from a detention have by a court order which also restored her children to her.



W.E. (Pussyfoot) Johnson

William E. ("Pussyfoot") Johnson has returned to San Francisco from Australia and New Zealand, where he spent ten weeks campaigning for prohibition, without success, though he predicts both countries will soon go dry.



Charles W. Shaffer, prominent San Francisco business man, is being sued by Mrs. Effie Ettinger, who alleges he is the father of her 14-month-old baby, Dorothy. Mrs. Ettinger is the divorced wife of a Detroit surgeon, now married and the father of two children.



Eddie and Mrs. Foy

Edward Fitzgerald, better known on the stage as Eddie Foy, the comedian, has married for the fourth time. Foy is 63 and his wife is 30. She is one-third Cherokee Indian and heiress to a large fortune derived from oil lands in Oklahoma. Foy kept his wedding plans so secret even the seven Little Foyes knew nothing of it.



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